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## TECHCENTER 1600/2800 Our File No. 32213-PCT-USA

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In re application of

: Lonza AG

Application No.

: 09/214,679

Group No.: 1614

Filed

: December 30, 1999

Examiner: Manjunath Rao

For

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HYDROXY-2-METHYLPROPIONIC ACID

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a)) TECH CENTER 1600/2900

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of two months.
- 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:
  - [X] is filed herewith.
  - [] has been filed.

(complete the following, if applicable)

[] The response is the filing of a continuation application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on June 29, 2000.

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Signature Carnella L. Stephens

Date of Signature June 29, 2000

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- 3. Applicant is
  - [] a small entity. A verified statement:
    - [] is attached.
    - [] was already filed.
  - [X] other than a small entity.
- 4. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(1)-(5)):

	Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity		Fee for small entity		
[] [X] [] []	one month two months three months	\$ \$ \$	110.00 380.00 870.00		55.00 190.00 435.00	
	four months five months	\$ \$	1,360.00 1,850.00	\$	600.00	RECEIVED

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[X] If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

[] An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request

\$ \$380.00

5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on June 29, 2000.

- 6. Fee Payment
  - [X] Attached is a check in the sum of  $$\underline{380.00}$ .

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- [X] Charge Account 02-4377 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.
- [] Charge fee to Account No. 02-4377. This is a request to charge for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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